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AMENDMENT D

In response to the Official Action of July 22, 2003, please enter to following amendments and remarks. These amendments are filed under the practice of *Ex parte Quayle* to place the drawings, specification and claims in formal status for allowance.

Entry of these amendments is further requested under Rule 1.116 (a) and (b) as being in response to new arguments and new grounds of objection and rejection to which applicant has not previously had the opportunity to respond. Paragraph 3 of the Official Action of July 22, 2003 sets out the new grounds of argument, new objections and new rejections of claims 1, 6 and 15.

IN THE DRAWINGS

Please enter the amendment to Figure 3 of the drawings to show the plumb bob 48, in phantom, stored in the tool 10. A corrected drawings is attached. The correction is also shown in red line in the attached additional copy of Figure 3. No new matter is introduced by this amendment. Antecedent basis—for this